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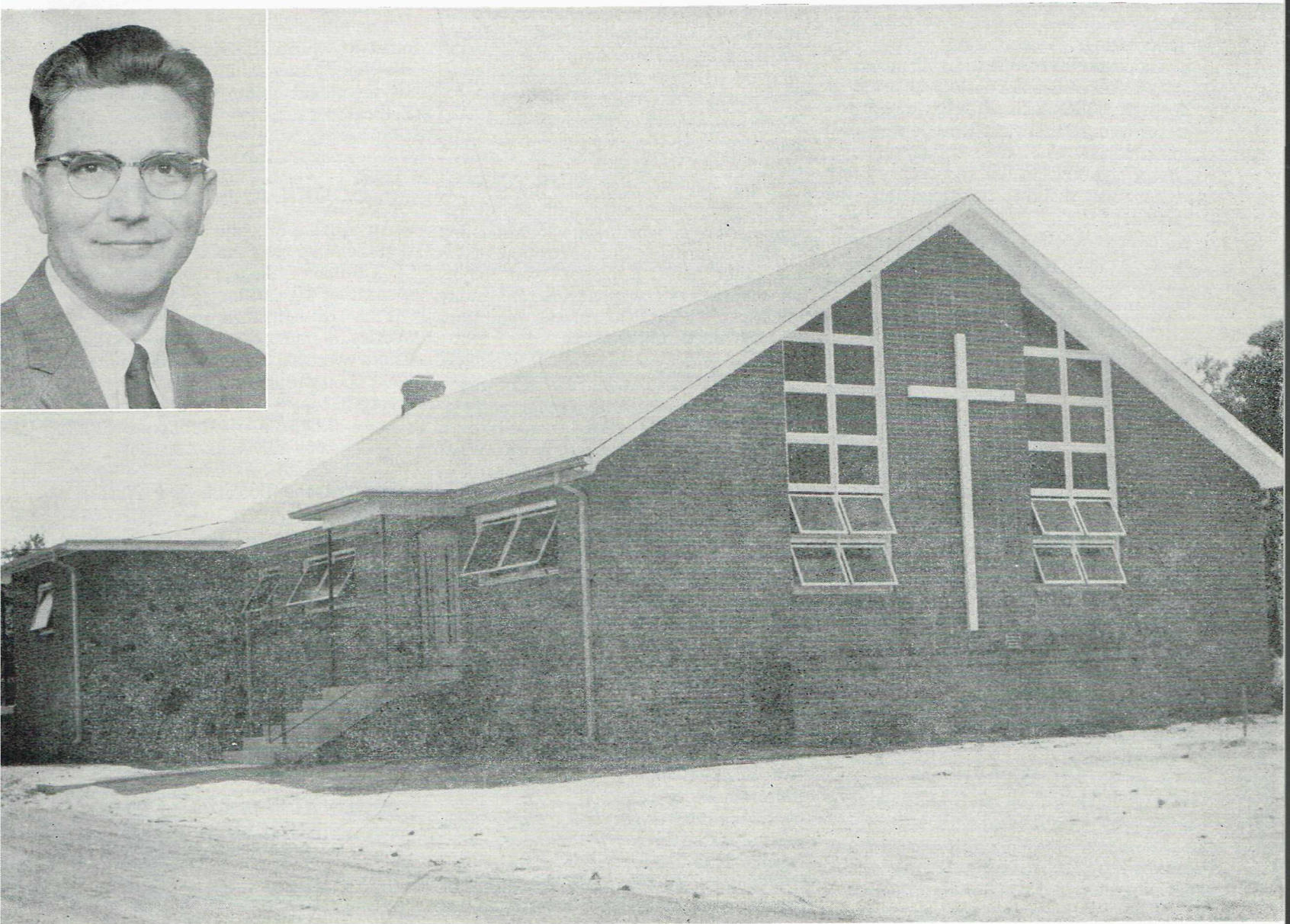
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This new Brethren in Christ Church in Baltimore, Maryland was dedicated in September, the fulfillment of plans for extension in this progressive community. The occasion was observed by ceremonies featuring church leaders in the fields of Extension, Sunday School, and Administration. Insert shows Rev. LeRoy B. Walters, pastor of the congregation. See details on page six.

EDITORIAL

A Few Observations

WHAT is the potential of 8,000 people? A certain per cent are brilliant, that is, distinguished by splendid mental ability. There are those who are industrious, that is, hardworking. You will find a certain number who possess personal initiative, meaning, energy required to begin or dare new undertakings.

Then you have a host who are average, those who are considered usual or ordinary. They accept pretty much the status quo. Usually, at least to a point, someone else does their thinking. They accept a groove in life and seem to find reasonable delight in following the groove.

There is another group who are dull, slow in perception, slow in response. They lack in ambition and are satisfied with meager fare.

Christian experience revolutionizes the right and wrong concepts of life. Discipleship Christianity is a most potent factor in the area of good human relations. But there is no evidence that Christian experience transforms the average person into a genius. Sad, but true, naturally lazy people usually become lazy Christians. Mediocre people usually add up to mediocre Christians; those who live most of their lives in a groove, even religiously.

What about the Brethren in Christ Church? It would be a mark of eccentricity to rate our membership wise, above average in intelligence, ambition, and ability. Any evaluation that would carry real significance, either way, would need to be given by an outside observer. A close proximity to ourselves reduces our ability to be objective.

Facts do indicate that smaller denominations have a less percentage of the membership on the inactive list. This supports a second conclusion: in smaller groups the average is higher in spiritual participation in the church's program.

What are the possibilities of satisfactory performance in all areas of activity

in our Brotherhood? To the knowledge of the writer, there is no criteria that determines the maximum or minimum of program that would be ideal for 8,000 people.

Two attitudes are usually present in church life. First is an inflated conclusion of the church's service and effectiveness. There is a possibility that we think of ourselves "higher than we ought to think." We must avoid a second pitfall, a complex that is constantly apologetic. This may stem from numerical size as a Church. A tendency to be over-meticulous in certain detail, reducing effectiveness in major emphases in Christian doctrine, to some is benumbing to their zeal and service. Others are sincerely frustrated, concerned, and anxious over trends that to them can only consummate in disaster.

When one can see only the good in his church, he greatly reduces his potential for a worthwhile contribution to church growth and development. On the other hand, a person who majors on the church's weaknesses and faulty steps can do little to correct conditions that do need adjustment.

In an endeavor to look at ourselves objectively, things such as: How many pastorates should there be for a membership of 8,000? What constitutes a healthy venture in mission work? What should be the approach to Christian education and Christian higher education? What and where are the boundaries in social service and benevolent ministries? These, with others the reader may wish to add, are functioning areas that constantly need surveillance. Choice and competent personnel are a must if these activities are to succeed.

We hasten to say that spiritual qualifications are a top level requirement. But the fact still remains, there are certain personal qualities and abilities that are necessary if a leader is to do effective work. Being satisfied with shoddy performance, as reflected in varied fields of the church's program, is a tremendous deterrent to church growth and development. This shoddiness is not confined to any one denomination. Too much of the hit or miss style is substituted for hard, concentrated, practical effort.

We have absolutely no apology to offer for the program of the Brethren in Christ Church. There is variety and meaning to the Church's program. Frankly, there is room to concern ourselves as to whether 8,000 people can supply enough qualified talent to move ahead in all areas.

This includes the Christian ministry, all phases of Christian education, Church administration, and competent key Christian laymen to serve on the local level.

Then too, we must think in terms of successful Christian business and professional people who are greatly needed to contribute in a monetary way to the Church's program.

We should have no sense of hesitation to invite fellow Christians who move into the areas of our congregations to share their talents and means with the Church's program. Another potent area for usefulness in church life is the host of non-Christians that needs to come into a saving relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ.

The church's program to be enduring must be spiritual. The effectiveness of the day by day ministries of the church is dependent upon the availability of dedicated talent.

J. N. H.

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An Anabaptist and Wesleyan Tradition Seminar was held on the campus of Goshen College, Goshen, Indiana, December 10, 1960.

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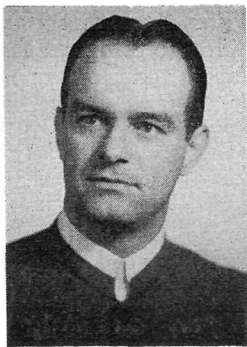
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The Witness of the Holy Spirit in JUSTIFICATION

Roger N. Witter

RECENTLY the telephone in my study rang. When I answered, the inquiring voice at the other end was a lady from a nearby town. "I would be happy," said she, "to have the Scriptures that you used on this morning's devotional program on the air." "Fine," I replied, "I will be most happy to give them to you." And I did.

Why had she called? My meditation that morning was on the believer's knowledge of salvation, the assurance of being saved. They evidently had been discussing this very subject in her Sunday School class. "Their conclusion," she said, "was that if anyone knew that they were saved, they were a hypocrite." Her own personal knowledge of salvation was severely shaken. She was blessed to hear someone speak affirmatively and give a Biblical basis for an experience of knowing Christ as Saviour.

Many persons are as this woman. Multitudes are not as far along the way, nor even as secure as she in their experience of justification. Why? Simply because they do not understand the work of the Holy Spirit in relation to the experience of justification.

Does He (the Holy Spirit) have a part to play in our coming to know Jesus Christ in saving grace? He most certainly does. To deny the role of the Holy Spirit in justification is to deny God's plan of salvation and to forfeit a personal knowledge of it. Works of men's hands are then substituted and the individual flounders about in this life and sad to say, will miss eternal life in the next world.

How then, does the Holy Spirit operate in bringing a soul to full assurance of a justified experience before God? Let us think of this subject in three areas: (1) The wooing of the Spirit. (2) The winning of the Spirit. (3) The witnessing of the Spirit.

THE WOOING OF THE SPIRIT

Just as two lovers are often brought together by an intermediary so are we introduced to the Lover of our souls by the Holy Spirit. His work is to seek out those who will be willing to meet

that "Some One" who will forever change their course in life. The Holy Spirit operates to accomplish this task in many and varied ways. His approach to one is through a saintly, praying mother, to another, by a Sunday-school teacher, pastor or a close friend. His wooings may take the avenue of disappointments, heartaches, and sorrows. In all these He is endeavoring to bring about a response from the heart.

Often individuals brush aside these wooings of the Spirit as mere incidents. They are thought of as an over-concern on the part of mothers, teachers, or pastors; or some incident or more severe happenings, as accidents that cannot be avoided, they happen to all of us. This is right, but do we not believe that the Holy Spirit uses many of these everyday situations to woo us to the Christ?

Many times the Spirit is persistent and forthright in introducing one to Christ. Yet He never consummates a union with Christ without an inward consent and response from the heart of the individual.

John 16:8 says, "And when He [the Holy Spirit] is come He will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment." Therefore, one must respect His operation in wooing us to Christ. We dare not flirt with Him for He is sincere, trying to begin in the sinner that which will culminate in a union with Christ.

THE WINNING OF THE SPIRIT

First, let us clarify what is meant by winning; a successful triumph acquired by the effort of the Holy Spirit.

He is the convicting force, the guiding factor, the direction signal to bring us to the Lord. Certainly, the Spirit has not entered into this undertaking with the intent of failure. Having won the attention of the unbetrothed heart in the wooing process, He will only be satisfied as He sees the spiritual courtship progressing.

Here again the Spirit operates as an intermediary, careful not to attract attention to Himself (*John 15:26 and*

16:13-15). His very nature is not to present Himself but to exercise His ministry. As Christ came into the world to reveal the Father so the Holy Spirit has come to reveal the Christ.

The Holy Spirit strives ardently in winning the soul to Christ. He constantly remains on vigil as a chaperone of the soul.

Sin now becomes exceeding sinful. What never appeared to the senses as sin, now is obnoxious at the slightest suggestion. Patterns of conduct and behaviour are scrutinized carefully and attitudes and motives are questioned. Discomfort is created when in the presence of the godly, yet there is a hunger and thirst for Christian fellowship. There is an entirely new interest in the Word of God. There develops an attitude that seeks the Lord in prayers.

Suddenly, or again it may be slowly, "a ray of light," "a voice from heaven," the Spirit of God says, "child give me thine heart." To the famishing soul the invitation is welcome and every effort is made to rush into the open arms of Jesus.

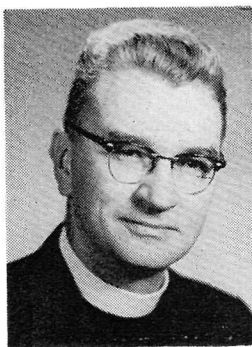
Perchance, there is not a whole-hearted willingness to yield to Christ, the Spirit will continue to plead, asking for a commitment. Although rejected and resisted He will at various times make His approach with convicting power.

However, there comes a time if one persistently resists His invitation of love that He will depart and never return. "My Spirit shall not always strive with man." O, how sad to spurn His offer of love. But how blessed to accept the Holy Spirit's winning effort, bringing one to an altar of prayer for confession of sins.

THE WITNESSING OF THE SPIRIT

All along the Holy Spirit has been faithful to His task. He is always at hand when truth needs to be borne to the heart. The heart has been captured in the wooing, the will has been won in the winning, but there yet remains for

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Arthur M. Climenhaga

The Witness of the Holy Spirit in SANCTIFICATION

SEVERAL months ago a brother beloved was speaking with me concerning life in the Lord Jesus Christ. Said he, "All is in Jesus. My sense of victory is in Him and Him alone. My witness I receive from Him and Him alone. Jesus only for me." I was constrained to ask him, "But what of the Holy Spirit, my brother? Where does He come in the economy of God's grace in your life?" "Oh," was the reply, "the Spirit and Jesus are one; there is no differentiation."

For anyone who studies the Word, this shows a remarkable lack of understanding of God's Word. Jesus said in John 14:16, 17, "And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter . . . even the Spirit of truth." Our Lord reiterated this in John 16:7, "It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you." On the day of Pentecost the Holy Spirit was outpoured and Peter said, "This is that . . . It shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out my Spirit" (*Acts 2:16, 17*). The Apostle Paul brings this into full perspective in Romans 8:1 when he declares, "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit."

This is the Spirit of whom the Psalmist writes (*Psalms 139:7*): "Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence." The omnipresence of the Spirit identifies Him with the Father and the Son and makes Him one of the Trinity. Then again the writer in Hebrews 9:14 speaks of the "eternal Spirit" identifying Him still

further as one of the Trinity, different from, yet one with the Father and the Son.

What we are trying to impress upon us is this—the Spirit of God has His place in the work of the Lord in our hearts. What is that place and work? It is the witness of God through the Spirit that the work of redemption has found a place in our hearts, bringing us from death to life as sinners and from death to life as saints. As Paul says, "For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit. For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace" (*Romans 8:5, 6*).

Romans 8:16 brings us to the core of the place and work of the Holy Spirit in God's economy of grace: "The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God." This witness is operative in all areas of the working of the grace of God in my life. I am a sinner, lost, and in the need of salvation. I hear the word, "Cleanse your hands, ye sinners." I see the provision, the Blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth. I read the promise, "If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature." And the Holy Spirit witnesses to my heart that He applies Christ's blood and the great saving transaction is accomplished.

But this witness of the Holy Spirit goes further than that. In Romans chapters 7 and 8 I stand first face to face with the fact that in my Christian life there is the wrestling of a dual nature within. There is a necessity for something that will cause me to die to sin, to mortify my body so I will not live after the flesh. I must deal with a spirit of bondage and of fear. Now Romans 8 gives the promise that the Holy Spirit will do this. In

verse 5, "For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit." In verse 9, the first part, "But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you." Or again in verse 11, "If the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you." And lastly in verse 14, "For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God."

When we turn to Hebrews chapters 9 and 10, the fullness of the place of the Holy Spirit in the work within the Christian's heart is seen resulting in a wonderful witness. See the purging of the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ in 9:11-14, "But Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building; neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us. For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh: How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?" Through the eternal Spirit, Christ purges our consciences from dead works to serve the living and true God. No wonder the Lord Jesus promised, "And ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you" (*Acts 1:8*).

Now we go on to Hebrews 10:14 and 15: "For by one offering he both perfected for ever them that are sanctified. Whereof the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us." This means that the second great witness of the Holy Spirit has to do with the life of full victory the brother wanted to find alone in Jesus. We do find it, thank God, in the Lord Jesus Christ but only by the witness of the Spirit that confirms to our hearts the truth of Hebrews 10:19-23a:

"Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh: and having an high priest over the house of God; let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering."

Here is the witness of the Holy Spirit that, "If we walk in the light as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ (Continued on page thirteen)"



MESSIAH REVIVAL BEGINS SCHOOL YEAR

Rev. Donald Miller from Syracuse, New York, was the fall evangelist. Services began Sunday morning, September 24, and concluded Friday, September 29, at chapel. Rev. Miller is pastor of the Christian Missionary Alliance Church in Syracuse. The Lord was very gracious as we met together.

Coming so close to the opening of school, this evangelistic series has set the pattern for the spiritual life of the student body. Each service presented a challenge to deeper Christian growth and a number of decisions were made. It was most challenging to see the front of the new chapel lined with persons who were making commitments to Jesus Christ. Down in the town of Grantham, echoes from the revival were felt by the community.

The spirit of prayer pervaded the campus throughout the week. The dorm prayer meetings provided a time of intercession and even during these prayer meetings numerous students sought the Lord. During the noon lunch hour, prayer periods were conducted. Wednesday evening beginning at 9:00 and continuing through to Thursday morning at 9:00, an all night of prayer was held. Students participated in half-hour sessions throughout the night. The faculty shared in a faculty prayer meeting in place of their regular faculty meeting. Consciousness of the presence of God was felt throughout the campus.

PHILEMON KUMALO AT MESSIAH COLLEGE

(From an interview by John Stoner)

While studying at the Wanezi Bible Institute last May under Rev. Titus Books, Rev. Philemon Kumalo learned that he was chosen by the field executive board to receive a full scholarship from Messiah College for a year of study here. Such news must have been sudden and somewhat portentous, coming to a man with three sons and three daughters. Also, as one of the five overseers of the Brethren in Christ Church in Africa, Rev. Kumalo's responsibilities were heavy.

Previous to his election as an overseer in 1959, Rev. Kumalo was headmaster of the Matopo Elementary School under the mission program—a school attended by about 275 students. He also assisted in the opening of new churches in Bulawayo.

But despite his family ties and leadership role in the church, on September 7 Rev. Kumalo left Bulawayo by plane for Messiah College. He arrived in New York where President Climenhaga met him.

Asked what his outstanding impressions of the United States were, he said he finds people "very sociable" and the weather "very, very hot!" The many tall buildings and wide highways impressed him.

Rev. Kumalo's studies this year will all be in Bible subjects with the exception of the inevitable English Composition. After the school year, he will visit churches, attend general conference and other church meetings during the summer, returning to Africa in August.

202 ENROLLED AT MESSIAH COLLEGE THIS FALL

There is an increase of 12% over last year's total fall enrollment. The greatest increase came in the junior class—33 as compared with 16 in last year's junior class. The largest class is the freshman class numbering 57. Slight increases in the other classes were also felt.

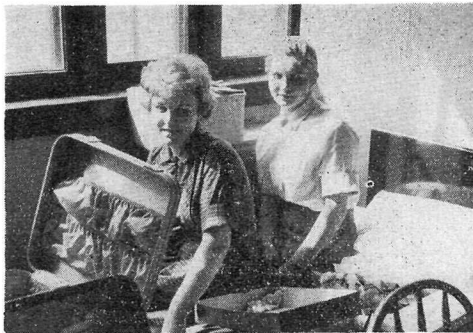
120 Brethren in Christ young people are enrolled at Messiah College. This is approximately 60% of all the students. The other students come from 25 different denominations. This provides a challenging spiritual atmosphere that helps young people to establish clear Christian convictions, to know why we believe as we do, and to share in many Christian activities for witness and service.

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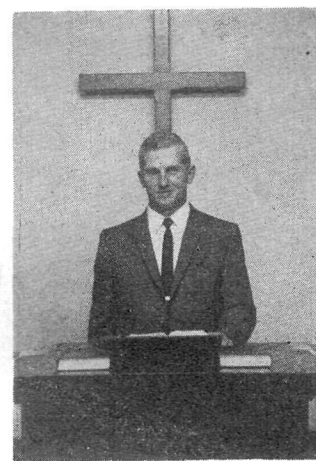
SUMMER SCHOOL OF MISSIONS, JUNIOR DIVISION

The children of the out-going missionaries were taught during the first month of the school year by Mr. Lamar Fretz. In the above picture Mr. Fretz teaches geography to students who by this time are in Africa, India, Japan, and South America.



WELCOME, AMERICANS!

Once again NCC welcomes American students. Here Delores Hock and Thelma Heisey are getting settled in their room on third floor of the main building.



SCHOOL OPENING, OCTOBER 2

Rev. Aaron Stern, pastor of the Clarence Center Church, addressed the opening chapel service of the school year, speaking on "Four Ways to Glorify God."

MRS. EARL SIDER RETIRES FROM NCC STAFF

After nearly a year of sacrificing work Rev. and Mrs. Earl Sider moved from their apartment in the college to their home at Cheapside. Mrs. Sider served as Dean of Women during the school year, and was hostess to the Summer School of Missions which met at the college during the summer. Although their stay at the college was rather brief, the Siders accomplished a great deal. Their work was much appreciated.

ENROLLMENT UP IN ALL CLASSES

On opening day 90 students were enrolled at Niagara. This is an increase of 20% over opening day a year ago, and the enrollment is expected to increase still more.

BUTCHER NAMED EVANGELIST AT UPLAND

Rev. Orval Butcher, pastor of the Skyline Wesleyan Methodist Church in Lemon Grove, California, has been named as evangelist for the Spiritual Emphasis Week, November 13 to 18, at Upland College.

Mr. Butcher is a successful pastor by anyone's standard. He started a "pilot" church for his denomination in a new housing area in Lemon Grove and now finds it necessary to hold two services Sunday mornings in a sanctuary with a seating capacity of 450.

A pioneer in new techniques, Mr. Butcher makes a practice of prefacing his sermons with a vocal solo, thence the epithet, "the singing parson."

Mr. Butcher is a member of the San Diego Board of Youth for Christ and is known for his dynamic evangelism.

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New Church at Baltimore, Md. Dedicated

The Marlyn Avenue Brethren in Christ Church was dedicated September 24, 1961. There were 127 present for the morning service with a total of over 500 in attendance for the day. This day represented a milestone in growth and outreach.

The pastor was located in the parsonage about September 1, 1960. Regular services were begun in the parsonage December 4, 1960 with about forty in attendance. Interest grew and the Sunday School overtaxed the capacity of the parsonage. Because of deterring weather conditions construction of the church did not begin until spring. They were able to move into the basement of the church three weeks prior to dedication.

It was a source of real satisfaction, especially to the pastor and his staff, to have so many local people come for the first service in the sanctuary. Visitors from Pennsylvania and elsewhere brought the total to 127.

Everyone was favorably impressed with the attractive brick building and the beauty of the interior. The visible wood arches in knotty pine and natural finish with the front of the auditorium attractively decorated by flowers, helped create an atmosphere for the hymn "How Great Thou Art" and other appropriate numbers.



The interior of the new church at Baltimore, Maryland which was recently dedicated.



During dedication activities (l. to r.) Albert H. Engle, Executive Secretary of the Board for Home Missions and Extension, holds one of the Sacrificial Banks such as were used by the Commission on Sunday School to assist in opening new Sunday Schools. P. W. McBeth, Director of the Department of Sunday Schools, congratulates the pastor, LeRoy B. Walters, while acting superintendent of the Baltimore Sunday School, Fred Slagenweit, displays one of the posters presented by the Director of Sunday Schools.

The Sunday School session was concluded by Rev. P. W. McBeth, director of Sunday Schools. He dramatically told of the church-wide project which secured \$15,000.00 for six extension churches, this new church being one of the six. A little cardboard church such as was used in the project, was held by a representative of the Board for Home Missions and Extension. In the worship service which followed Rev. McBeth delivered an inspiring message on "Surely the Lord Is in This Place."

The afternoon service saw the church filled with many in the basement. Baltimore gave us a warm 92° reception. Pastor LeRoy Walters added a welcome kind of warmth, and very ably presided in



A part of the congregation and guests on dedication day at Baltimore.

the program. After a number of appropriate greetings from leaders in the community, Bishop Charlie B. Byers delivered a very challenging message, "We Are Here! Why?" Rev. Charles Rife, chairman of the Board for Home Missions and Extension, officiated in the ritual of dedication.

Offerings for the day totaled \$1,354.00. The cost of the church is approximately \$42,000.00. This is several thousand dollars higher than expected, chiefly because of some large unplanned expenses incident to location. The liberal offerings for the day were much appreciated. The pastor expressed real satisfaction for the day quoting, "To God be the glory."

With the many evidences of God's blessing on the work, we visualize a real ongoing as we support it with our prayers and each one involved, obeys the Lord. Letters of inquiry and encouragement may be addressed to the pastor as per directory for "Missions in America."

—Albert H. Engle, Executive Secretary of the Board for Home Missions and Extension.

Teen Team Report

Ruth E. Wolgemuth

ON FEBRUARY 20, 1961, six teen-agers and their leader landed in Beirut, Lebanon. They were the Youth for Christ Teen Team, there because they believed God would use teens to win teens. In the next five months they were to see God answer prayer and save teen-agers in the Middle East and Europe.

As a member of the team, I was sure—as were Jerri, Jim, Chuck, Gene, Jim, and Wendy—that God could reach teens through us if we would let Him.

Beirut is a city where East meets West. Here we found teens from all religious and cultural backgrounds, but all were searching for peace. In their search many of them had turned to education and became obsessed with a desire to learn. Realizing this, Christian leaders of Beirut recommended that we reach the youth in their schools and, miraculously, educators across the city opened the doors of their schools to us. Many days we had as many as five assembly programs. Each program consisted of twenty minutes of music and ten minutes when one of the team member explained simply the plan of salvation. We never gave a formal invitation but invited those who wanted to learn more about Christ to speak with one of us after the program. Usually we dealt with fifteen or more after a program and, without exception, school principals said, "Don't worry about classes, take all the time you need."

In addition to our work in schools, we had evening rallies in churches. Our time was divided between the Arabic and Armenian churches and in each church our work was primarily with young people. The church youth were astonished that Christianity could be something living and vital to a young person. Not only were they thrilled with finding the reality of Christ in their own lives, but they were enthusiastic to help their friends find the same joy.

Following Beirut we spent a few days in Jerusalem, then continued on to Greece. The situation in Greece was much more difficult than in Lebanon. Because of the power of the Greek Orthodox church we could do very little work outside of the churches. At first we were discouraged and wondered why we were there. The Lord, however, very sweetly gave us the verse: "Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it" (1 Thess. 5:24). Again we

realized that God would work as we trusted Him—even in hard places.

God did work and we were granted permission to hold an assembly in a Greek Orthodox school. We were given the assembly because one teen-ager believed Christ was the answer for the youth of his school. Tony was the only Christian and was student body president. He not only believed Christ was the answer but he was determined to do something about it. He was given permission for us to come. The program was on Good Friday and, before our part, the student body observed the annual Greek Orthodox rites. What a joy following such a morbid observance to testify to a Christ who was living in our hearts.

We spent most of May in Berlin. While in Berlin we were aware of the fact that this city is the symbol of freedom to the free world. I felt then and I

What Does It Mean?

YOU are urged to read the announcement in the October *Crusader* concerning the second C. C. Writing Contest. Christ's Crusaders are being invited to interpret the meaning of their theme song, "I Can Do All Things." This is an opportunity for you to express your faith in terms of 20th century Christian living. Your response to this challenge will enrich our youth program by injecting new meaning and reality into our theme song.

The contest is open to all Christ's Crusaders and ends on December 1, 1961. Entries should be six to eight hundred words in length and should be mailed to *Crusader*, Nappanee, Indiana by December 1 accompanied by your name, address, and age. See the *Crusader* for details on how you can not only compete but contribute by entering the Writing Contest now.

You may have an opportunity to discuss the theme song and the contest in your C. C. fellowship. Then write your own 20th century version of Paul's inspiring declaration, "I can do all things through Christ. . ."



The Teen Team: Director Wendy Collins with team members Jerri Ericson, Jim Wead, Ruth Wolgemuth, Chuck Buffam, Gene Mastin, and Jim Fortunato.

feel more strongly now that if the free world loses Berlin, it loses infinitely more than a city, it loses for Europe the symbol of hope to which she holds so tenaciously.

The young people of Berlin realize their precarious situation but the Christian young people are radiant. In a changing world they realize security in a never-changing God. The team spent four days in a Christian youth conference. Here we taught methods for reaching unsaved young people in the schools. The last day of the conference

we went to visit the Superintendent of schools for West Berlin. He was enthusiastic about an evangelistic youth program in his city and opened the doors of every public school to a Bible club ministry.

All over Europe young people have the same desire for security. In Holland young people try to find security in their traditionally religious homes. In Paris young people seek security in a wild round of pleasure. In Switzerland we found teen-agers from all parts of

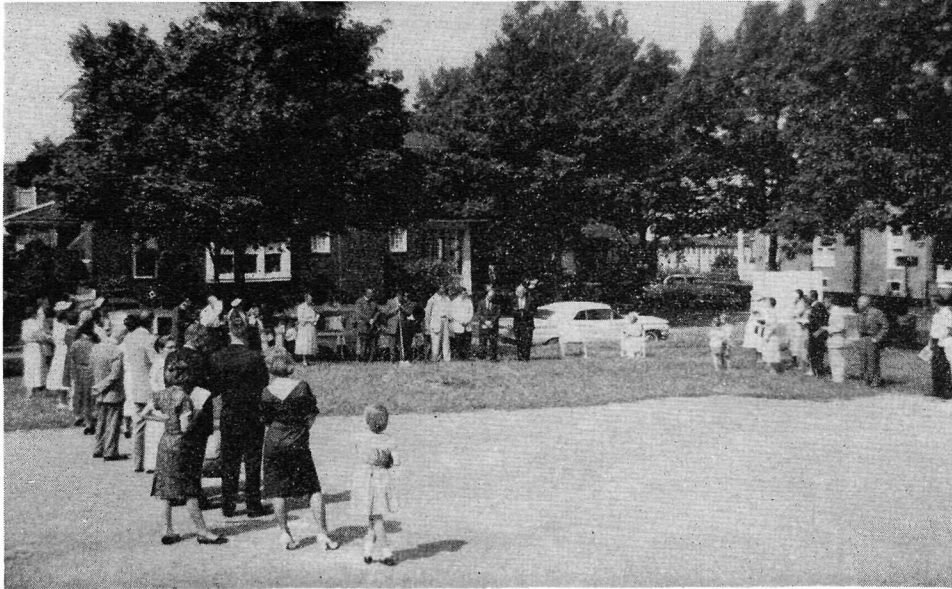
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MISSIONS

Ground-Breaking at 2001 Chestnut, Harrisburg, Pa.

GROUND-BREAKING ceremonies for the new church to be built by the congregation of Messiah Lighthouse Chapel were conducted Sunday morning, August 27th at 2001 Chestnut Street. About 100 were present, including visitors, with neighbors of the community witnessing the event. It was a time of rejoicing and thanksgiving for the congregation. The Spirit of the Lord blessed the occasion—and the weather was ideal following several rainy days.

The outline of the church had been marked by white lime, so that all might visualize its exact setting. The immediate place for breaking ground was at the approximate spot where the pulpit will



A view of the plot and of those attending the ground-breaking ceremonies at Harrisburg.

be located. This was prepared and marked in the form of a cross.

Invocation and words of welcome, as the congregation stood outside the outline of the church, were given by the Pastor, Joel E. Carlson. An octet sang, "The Church's One Foundation." Pamela Mell played on the vibraharp, "How Firm A Foundation."

Bishop Henry A. Ginder read Matthew 7:24, 25, about the wise man who built his house upon a rock. He made fitting brief comments, expressing the hope, "that the presence of the Lord will make this place holy ground, similar in sacredness to the burning bush which Moses beheld, and from which the Lord God Himself spake and gave a revelation." With every head bowed, Bishop Ginder offered the prayer.

Appropriate words from the *Minister's Manual* were read by the Pastor, concluding with, "Whereas we are constituted as a people of God, believers in the Lord Jesus Christ, who is our Saviour and Lord, and conscious of His commissioning us to be His witnesses, we therefore proceed to take this first step in our building program. We will now engage to turn this sod on which we stand that here may be erected a temple to His praise, a permanent witness to the people, a house of worship, a place of spiritual nourishment and inspiration as we grow together in Christ."

The Pastor first broke ground at the foot of the designed cross. Representatives of the various congregational organizations shared in this sacred deed: Thural V. Brehm, as Secretary of the Church Board; Sherwood Mell, as Superintendent of the Sunday School; Joseph Goodyear, representing the adults' "Berean Fellowship"; and Darrel Bigham, President of Christ's Crusaders, the youth. Faithe B. Carlson served as President of the W.M.P.C. and Paul Bigham represented the Trustees.

The congregation sang together, "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord."

Rev. John L. Minter, Dillsburg, who first pastored this congregation in 1938, gave the benediction, giving the closing words of the book of Romans.

Excavation and construction is scheduled to begin shortly. A brick structure, of modified contemporary design, size 40 x 70, will be erected on this corner lot with some space for off-street parking.

Sherman's Valley and Saxton Share in Baptismal Service

THE Sherman's Valley and Saxton congregations shared in a combined baptismal service on July 16. In the presence of 160 witnesses, the two pastors baptized sixteen young folks, 12 from Sherman's Valley and 6 from Saxton. Both pastors had the joy of baptizing members of their own households. Brother Charles Rife, chairman of the Board for Home Missions and Extension, was present for the precious occasion.

A significant Bible School at Saxton showed the highest average attendance in the church's history. The average at-



The Teaching Staff and Officers at the recent successful Saxton Bible School. Second from right, rear row, is B. Paul Hamman, Bible School Superintendent.



Above, the scripture is read by Bishop H. A. Ginder of the Atlantic Conference. Below, Pastor Joel Carlson breaks ground on the approximate spot where the pulpit is planned to stand, here marked by a cross.



A view of the Joint Baptismal service of the Saxton and Sherman's Valley congregation at a beautiful mountain pond.



Saxton Pastor Glenn Hostetter (left) and Sherman's Valley Pastor Earl Lehman (right) with the sixteen candidates for baptism.

tendance was 130 which equalled the total enrollment! Beside carrying the Bible School expenses, a sizeable part of the offerings went to the Mimeograph Fund for the church. As many as 80 Bibles were present at one time.

The second child dedication service of the year at Saxton was held in September when 5 children were dedicated. Four other children had been dedicated in February.

Pastor Hostetter had the joy of con-

ducting a reception service for twelve on Easter Sunday. The challenge of this work is evidenced in the accompanying photographs. The prayers of the church for these sister congregations are solicited.

"I Had a Vision of Jesus Before I Ever Heard of Jesus"

FOR years I was an *ojha* (a witch doctor). I was, also, a *guru* of *ojhas* (a teacher of witch doctors). With all my heart I believed in the spirits and worshipped them. One day I became sick and was unconscious for about a week. While I lay sick and unconscious I had a vision, and I saw Jesus. When I again became conscious I was certain there was no other Savior but Jesus. That vision was so real that I called all my family together and told them of my vision and that Jesus was our only Savior. After that my wife and I began to call on Jesus. "Oh, Jesus, we know there is no Savior but you. The spirits are nothing."

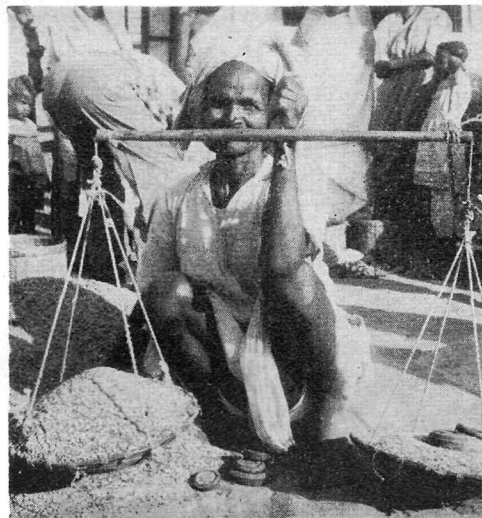
"When I began to follow Jesus His Spirit took control of me from then up to now."

—Budhu Hembron

His life is a proof of this. Now the entire family are Christians—Budhu, his wife Rani (queen), his three married daughters and their husbands and his young son and daughter, both in school at Barjora.

Several weeks ago, Budhu brought his nephew along to Sunday services. He told us his nephew wants to be a Christian, too. Later he came into the house, his eyes shining as he told us his brother's son was accepting Jesus.

Easter Sunday, Budhu had the joy of seeing his brother's son baptized here on the mission compound. Budhu's heart was filled with joy. It was a son of the same brother who persecuted Budhu so much when Budhu first became a Christian. We know Budhu will not be content until he has brought his brother to Christ as well as the entire family.



Budhu Hembron weighing the grain given by the Santal Christians as love offerings on New Year's Day, 1961, at Banmankhi. As carefully as he weighs the grain, so does he weigh his words and actions.

In council meetings Budhu's words are weighted with good common sense and much forethought. He says, "If we have decided on what to do, I feel we should do that."

—Supplied by Kathryn Engle

In November
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Missionary Support

One Brethren in Christ congregation is carrying the full load of support for five foreign missionaries, at a cost of \$1500.00 per missionary. This is not what the missionary gets but represents the average cost of operating one missionary's work in your Board for World Missions total program. What is your church doing?

Teen Team Report

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the world who had come hoping to find security in higher education. In every country, however, our message was the same; young people will have peace and security only as their lives are guided and controlled by Jesus Christ.

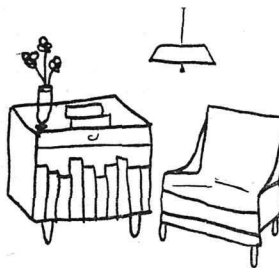
—Wheaton, Ill.



The Teen Team with YFCI Overseas Director Samuel Wolgemuth at the Wolgemuth home.



NEEDED!



THE goal of the Women's Missionary Prayer Circle for 1961-62 is \$6,000.00 to help meet two great needs:

(1) MEDICINES FOR THE MADHIPURA CHRISTIAN HOSPITAL (INDIA)

Fantarin, Di hydro Streptomycin, Procaine Penicillin, B¹ Complex, Liver Extract, Multi Vitamins, Isoniade, Calcium Gluconate, and other medicines are needed to effectively treat patients with tuberculosis, leprosy, etc., thereby paving a way to meet their real and deep need of Jesus Christ.

(2) FELLOWSHIP CENTER FOR LIFE LINE MISSION, SAN FRANCISCO—

This will be built in the basement of the new mission building. The four stories above the basement have been completed and are now in operation as a mission chapel, where the Gospel is preached; as a social center, where the hungry are fed; and as a retreat for the needy.

The basement, with approximately 2,000 feet of floor space, will make an ideal fellowship center where the guests of the retreat may gather for Christian fellowship; also it will provide the new converts with a refuge from the tempta-

tions that surround them outside the mission.

The area will be divided into several rooms as follows: The main room will be equipped with lounge chairs, book cases, and reading lights to provide a restful and quiet atmosphere for studying and meditating. The book cases, or library, will be stocked with appropriate Christian reading material conducive to spiritual growth.

There will be a prayer room and a counseling room. These are vital necessities at the retreat, where spiritual help is so urgently needed by the men at all times.

There will also be a bath and a laundry room. At present, there are no laundry facilities in the building.

WE ASK YOU TO HAVE A SHARE

The Lord has laid this two-fold project upon the hearts of the Women's Missionary Prayer Committee. We only ask you to give as the Lord directs you. Send all offerings, marked *Project*, to: Mrs. Lester Haines, Box 255, Route 1, Clayton, Ohio. If in Canada to: Mrs. Christian Sider, 227 Sixth St., Collingwood, Ontario.

—WMPC Committee



VERY MUCH ALIVE!

To the many of you who have sent such kind messages and gifts, we wish to report that our household is very much alive. Pete has likened our hostel life to a "shoe experience." We hope we'll be wiser than the old woman, though, and start our building expansion this year before we get to the "don't know what to do" stage. Numerically, we have grown to 11. Laureen Frey, Harriet Sider, and Carol Edwards are our additions. Carol is staying with us just to the end of the year. She is the daughter of our former Baptist minister and would have lost school credits by moving South midstream. She's a grand older sister for the younger ones and a good pal for Harriet. We do love her wit and humor and appreciate her help with all hostel doings.

Now meet our youngest and oldest:
OUR YOUNGEST

I am Reenie Frey. I am in Standard I which is Grade 3 in America. I like painting and sewing best. My teacher is very kind. There are

30 children in my class. I like it at the hostel. My jobs are mopping the bedroom floor each morning and helping to iron. I am 7.

OUR OLDEST

I am in my first year of High School at Townsend School in Bulawayo at which the classes are from Form 1 to Form 6. Form 1 is about the same as Freshman in High School. This is my first year at Youngways Hostel because I went to Beit School in Choma last year.

During vacations, I live at Macha Mission in Northern Rhodesia. We will be leaving Africa at the end of this year to go to America. I am very eager to see my brother John whom we left in America when we came to Africa this time. I am very glad that I am at Youngways this year. Government schools have many different systems. Besides this, we have Christian fellowship which does not exist in government hostels. We also learn a lot of Scripture and such.—Harriet Sider, 13.

"Youngways Chatter"

On Tour of Missions

MANY of our readers will already know that Brethren Henry N. Hostetter and Carl J. Ulery are on an official tour of our missions in other lands, having left San Francisco by plane early in October.

This outline is a specific prayer request in behalf of this ministry. Rapid changes have greatly increased the problems of giving the message of Christ to the world. In spite of this fact, God has been performing miracles and the ministry of our missions has been very fruitful. In 1960, large blocks of my time were given to other mission organizations and the promoting of a witness on a broad basis. This year, our time will be devoted to Brethren in Christ missions. We hope to sit down with our co-workers and plan together in behalf of Christ's Kingdom in the areas where we are working. We need the leadership of the Holy Spirit as together we plan for present needs and future outreach.

Thank you for sharing our concern and responsibility!

HENRY N. HOSTETTER,
Executive Secretary, Board for World Missions

Japan—October 6-23

Arrive Sydney, Australia, Oct. 26, Thursday
October 25-November 3

Mr. J. A. Harvey
105a Yathong Road,
Caringbah, N.S.W., Australia

Arrive Calcutta, India Nov. 3, Friday
November 3-20

Rev. William R. Hoke
P. O. Saharsa, N. E. Rly.
District Saharsa,
Bihar, India

November 20-22
Rev. Allen Buckwalter
III M-24 Lajput Nagar
New Delhi, India

Arrive Livingstone November 24, Wednesday
November 23, December 1

Rev. Frank Kipe
P. O. Box 173,
Choma, Northern Rhodesia

December 1-18
Rev. D. E. Climenhaga
P. O. Box 711,
Bulawayo, Southern Rhodesia

December 19-23
David Livingstone T. T. College
P. B. 1, Livingstone
Northern Rhodesia

Arrive Jerusalem December 24, Sunday
December 24-26

Mr. Walter Martin
Box 208, Jerusalem
(via Amman) Hashemite,
Jordan

Arrive Beirut December 27, Wednesday
December 26-28

Menno Travel Services
Beirut, Lebanon

Arrive New York 1:55 p.m., Dec. 31, Sunday

(Allow eight to ten days for air mail to arrive at any of the points listed. Post office air forms cost eleven cents. Regular air mail letters, twenty-five cents per half ounce.)

Holiday Visitation in the Mapane Area

MAPANE Outschool, one hour's drive from Mtshabezi Mission and established in 1904, was one of the first Brethren in Christ missions opened before Mtshabezi Mission itself. Only a small old foundation remains of the original building. Now the people have a very nice cement block, zinc-roofed school building. It was a joy to visit that area and find some of the faithful old Christians.

With the help of Mr. and Mrs. Tshuma who teach in the Mapane School, we were able to contact fifty villages in the six days that we spent there. We preached to 316 people in villages and distributed tracts to many others along the paths. Our services were held on verandahs, in houses, in the yards under trees, in fields and on grain rocks.

The first day we rather unexpectedly got to a wedding feast, for we knew we could not find people in their villages when there was a feast in the community. We weren't prepared with gifts, but we had a bit of money to give. We were able to meet many people there and enjoy the rice and beef with them.

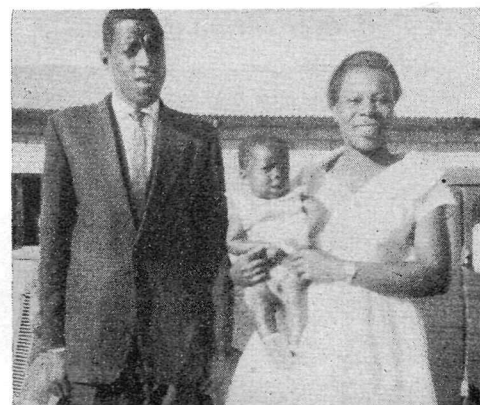
Our visit with faithful Naka Elina, whose deceased husband, Mkopi Ndlovu, used to preach, was an encouraging beginning to our village visitation. Another home reached that day was one which had seventeen children. Mrs. Tshuma assured us that all the sugar cane husks littered on the ground meant that we would soon either reach the village or the garden where we would find people! I was told that the father of the seventeen is the husband of two wives and is the preacher of a local sect. I'd like to think that I misunderstood the story!

At Chief Matema's village, we met his wife who requested prayer for herself. The chief was away on business. It was interesting to get into a line of villages belonging to the Matema brothers, then a line of Moyos, then a line of Sibandas, then a line of Tshabiles and a line of Mpofus.

One day as we sat on the ground in a cornfield, waiting for a family and relatives to gather for a service, we heard one young man say, "Let us go and oppose them!" It was Mrs. Tshuma's turn to preach and she used John 3:16. When she was finished, she asked if they had any questions. The answer was "None." Later we questioned her about throw-

ing the door wide open to opposition and she said, "I wanted to know what they were thinking. Then I wanted to tell them that we were only giving them God's Word, and if they refused it, the matter was theirs." To us, that was a wonderful testimony.

In another village where there was beer, a young man greeted us in a very friendly manner. He explained that he had taught at Mapane but was then teaching in a Roman Catholic School. We knew what that meant. Sampson Sibanda had sinned and taken the way of least resistance. He raised his hand and also spoke his need for prayer. I wonder if he made use of the address



Headteacher at Mapane Outstation, with his wife (formerly Alice Nkala, daughter of Evangelist Mtshazo Nkala), daughter Maxine.

ance grow from twenty-eight the first night to seventy-six the last night.

There were many requests for prayer in the villages; a few people repented; many felt they should be serving the



More of Maxine. Does she look like Grandpa? "Of such is the kingdom of Heaven."

he wanted—that of Brother H. H. Brubaker.

We shall always remember the visit Naka Nduna Nyati paid us in our classroom living quarters after the Sunday service. She was one of the early converts and wanted to talk about the early missionaries. In our broken Sindebele we chatted for quite some time. No interpreter was nearby but neither she nor we seemed to mind the language barrier. She was very proud to look at the new roof overhead and say, "My son built this!" She is truly salt in the community and is praying that her builder son will come to Jesus.

Every evening we had Bible School with classes for both children and adults. It was a thrill to tell the Bible story to wide, eager eyes. One night about twenty children remained for prayer. We watched the nightly attend-

Lord, but were not willing; some wanted to serve the Lord but said, "We are too lazy!"

Mapane, just like every other out-school, is a place on which we feel we should concentrate our prayers that the people be won to Christ.

—Edna Switzer and Anna Graybill

"The Small Woman"
Life story of
Gladys Aylward
Give three new
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The Brethren in Christ Handbook of Missions first appeared in 1918. Its forerunner was a little pamphlet entitled, Foreign Mission Report of the Brethren in Christ Church, Conference Year 1916-17. We reprint here the "Secretary's Review" from pages 4 and 5 of this pamphlet.

"During the early part of this Conference year Bro. Myron Taylor and wife, who have been spending some time at home on furlough, again returned to Africa to take up their work; Sr. Taylor and their two little daughters remaining at Macha Mission, while Eld. Taylor proceeded to the interior for the purpose of opening a new station. Grave difficulties have been encountered in this venture — however, we pray, and also hope, that these may all be overcome and a new lighthouse erected that will send its beams of Light and Life upon the heart and pathway of many weary, sinsick, and benighted souls.

"Eld. I. O. Lehman and family from Johannesburg, South Africa, were also permitted by the grace of God to return to the homeland for a much needed rest and change. May the Lord graciously use them to set before the church the great need of the Dark Continent! As well that the great opportunities of the church may be presented in such a clear, convincing, and beseeching manner, that they may bear with same measure and weight upon the church as it did upon Olivet's little band, in the parting asunder of the Master and disciples. When the clouds concealed him from their sight, and they heard the enormity and weight of his last utterances, bearing with such intensity upon the hearts of those who heard it, that soon after, under the power and supervision of the Holy Spirit, the great message of life began to burst forth from Jerusalem with such convincing truth that multitudes were saved within a few days. Thus the great proclamation of the gospel has been and still is going on, sometimes sweeping over communities almost like a deluge, and at other times almost driven out and destroyed as the prairie grass by fire. Yet to-day it is living and moving to regions of dense darkness and gross superstition. These are days of Missionary activity and enterprise, — when tremendous efforts are made for the spreading of the gospel and betterment of humanity, the door of opportunity is standing widely open, and barriers of opposition have been melting like the snow in the spring noon-day sun.

"Yet there are fields from which the cry is echoing, 'Come over and help us,' and other territory that has never been touched. May we at once become sensible of the fact, that the force and expansive power of the Missionary work of the Church depends upon its internal conditions, that is its spiritual life. And to succeed in the Missionary effort and enterprise of the Church, needs a Spiritual condition of the very highest force, where this is wanting the success of the other will be likewise lacking.

"May this body immediately become conscious of the fact, (it may be so already) that of all the issues that arise before the Church there is none of such a momentous character as the Missionary department.

"The annual letter from the different stations gives a review of the work for the past year."

The Empty Pew

The empty pew has an eloquent tongue. Though its message is unpleasant, it is one that all may hear.

To the preacher, the empty pew says, "Your sermon is not worth-while."

To the visitor it whispers, "You see we are not holding our own."

To the treasurer it shouts, "Look out for a deficit."

To the stranger who is looking for a home church it suggests, "You had better wait a while."

To the members who are present it asks, "Why don't you go visiting next Sunday, too?"

The empty pew speaks against the service. It kills inspiration, it smothers hope, and it dulls the fine edge of zeal. The empty pew is a weight, the occupied pew is a wing.

—Gospel Banner

\$40,000.00 Found!

During the last fiscal year, Christian organizations and individuals "found" savings totaling more than \$400,000.00 in discounts by buying through the Purchasing Office of the Evangelical Foreign Missions Association in New York City. This is possible because of the centralized buying carried on for mission boards, churches, schools, missionaries, pastors, teachers, students, etc. It is expected that during this current fiscal year the savings will approximate \$500,000.00.

The new, third issue of their free Price Catalog became available September 1, 1961. Pre-publication orders for this

catalog totaled an unprecedented 29,000. It seems that news of a "good deal" travels fast. This catalog contains hundreds of items for home and overseas; church and mission station; schools and other institutions. The actual discount price for both domestic and foreign use are shown.

1962 automobiles can be purchased through EFMA—New York Office. Fleet purchasing over the last fifteen years enable the office to obtain the lowest possible price on all U. S. makes with delivery being arranged in almost every city.

Good stewardship requires us to use the Lord's money as wisely as possible. The EFMA Purchasing Office enables us to do just that. The Apostle Paul exhorts us to be "not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord." The idea of the old saying "A word to the wise is sufficient" is phrased in strong language in James 4:17, "Therefore to him that knoweth to do good and doeth it not, to him it is sin."

We would urge strongly that when next some purchase is contemplated that an inquiry be directed to:

EFMA, Inc.
39 Cortlandt Street
New York 7, New York

The Holy Spirit in Justification

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the Spirit to witness to the soul that the work of justification has been completed.

Now the sinner, broken in heart and mellow in spirit, comes to the great Lover, Jesus Christ, asking to be accepted on the merits of His atoning blood. Having confessed the sins of life, willing and ready to make restitutions, Jesus with His great heart of love speaks the soul free and guiltless before the Father. Here again, the Holy Spirit conveys the message of forgiveness to the heart of the seeker. The Holy Spirit is pleased to know that the union is now being formed between Christ and the sinner. He is ready to witness or attest to this fact, and first of all, He makes it real to the seeking soul. The Spirit is the medium by which Christ speaks peace to the restless heart. "The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit that we are the children of God" (Rom. 8:16). What comfort! What joy! What peace!

There is nothing that can compare to this blessed state on earth other than the experience of sanctification, and this,

too, is accomplished by the agency of the Holy Spirit.

To be saved and know it makes the heart rejoice. To have the Spirit to confirm this fact is to cry out "Abba Father," since being accepted into the royal family of God. (Rom. 8:15; Gal. 4:6).

The devil and all the imps of Hell may contest this experience. The world about us, even our family and friends may question it, yet within the heart is "the spirit that beareth witness because the Spirit is truth" (I John 5:6).

—Pastor of the Big Valley Brethren in Christ Church, Belleville, Pa.

The Holy Spirit in Sanctification

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his Son cleanseth us from all sin" (I John 1:7).

Has the Spirit of God witnessed to you that you are a new creature in Christ Jesus? Is He witnessing that the blood cleanses to the point of reckoning yourself dead to sin, to the place of mortifying the deeds of the body, so that you may live perfectly in Him? Does He witness that He so fills your heart that you know His power? He can and will if you will only allow Him to do it.

And, praise God, one of these days when we stand before the throne, it will be to look on the Father by the grace of His Son, the Lord Jesus, through the witness of the Holy Ghost. Hallelujah for the witness of the Holy Spirit!

—Grantham, Pa. The writer is President of Messiah College.

Our Christian Colleges

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REGISTRATION REPORT—U. C.

Registration proved to be a particularly fruitful occasion at Upland College after all the reports were in. The student body increase this year now brings the cumulative increase to a total of 40% over the last four years. The College student body now numbers 120.

The senior class ranks at the top with the largest number of students; next come the freshmen, the juniors are third, and the sophomores are the smallest.

California claims 72% of the student body with 24% coming from other states and 4% from Asian countries.

There are twenty-three denominations represented on campus with the Brethren in Christ claiming the largest number of members.

ASIA COMES TO U. C.

Upland College had the privilege of receiving four students of Asian countries at the opening of the school year.

New to the campus is Andrew Chu of Hong Kong, China. Although born in Viet Nam, Indo-China, Andrew lived in Saigon, Yennah, Chung King and Shanghai before his final settlement in the former British colony. After

completion of one term at Chu'Hai College, he decided to come to Upland College because of its high Christian standards.

Victor Arokia-Samy joins the Upland student body for his second year. Born in Singapore, Malaya, Victor came to this country three years ago. After attending Van Nuys Junior College, he decided to go on with his education and chose Upland because he found her smallness and Christian characteristics appealing. His comment about Upland was that he would recommend it to any student from another country because of the individual attention that can be given to each student.

Also joining the Upland student body for his second year is Mitsuiku Inao of Tokyo, Japan. After completing his education at Tokyo Bible Seminary, Inao came to the United States under the sponsorship of the Oriental Missionary Society. After graduation he plans to go on to Asbury Seminary to prepare for the ministry.

Another second year student is Helen Law of Hong Kong, China. A 1959 graduate of Bethel Seminary, in Hong Kong, Helen attended Azusa College before enrolling at Upland.

—Spartan Spotlight, 9-28-'61

STAN BOOK DISPLAYS PAINTINGS

Stanley P. Book, youthful Upland artist, is sponsoring a showing of his paintings from October 30 to November 4. The Upland College student will display twelve of his recent contemporary oil paintings in the Upland College library. The public is invited to view the work any time during the day or evening when the library is open.

The College Junior is from Abilene, Kansas, and claims some of his artistic talent from his mother who is likewise an accomplished artist. He has taken several semesters of painting, drawing, and design instruction at two different schools. His first interest in art was stimulated when he drew an illustration for Heidi in the sixth grade. For this he won a blue ribbon in the school contest.

When interviewed regarding his philosophy of painting the artist said, "While I have yet to formulate a specific philosophy of art, I am increasingly of the notion that in creating a painting an artist relies on two sources of stimuli: Experience and Intuition. To the extent that he relies on Experience his painting is merely a work of craft, but to the extent that he relies on Intuition his painting is a work of art."

CHURCH NEWS

BULLETIN-BITS

Walsingham, Ontario featured a Prophetic Bible Conference October 5-8. J. Lester Myers and Edward Gilmore served as guest speakers.

Martin Schrag was Rally Day speaker at Manor, Pa., Sunday, October 22.

The Carl Carlsons from Chicago, Illinois were guest speakers for the Women's Missionary Prayer Circle at Christian Union, Indiana, September 27, 1961.

Jacob Funk, minister emeritus at Fairland, Pa., has been a patient in the Good Samaritan Hospital.

A male quartet from the Congregational Mennonite Church, Marietta, Pa., were guest musicians at Hollowell, Pa., Sunday, October 1, 1961.

B. Charles Hostetter, pastor of the Mennonite Hour, and the Mennonite Hour quartet rendered programs at Hollowell, Pa., Sunday, October 8, 1961.

The Pacific News reports that William Gaube, four years pastor at Sunnymead, California has recently resigned to serve with his own church, The Christian and Missionary Alliance. Harold Paulus assumed the pastorate October 15, 1961.

Alvin C. Burkholder, bishop of the Midwest Conference, ordained Charles Rickel, pastor at Bethel, Kansas, to the Christian ministry Sunday evening, October 15.

The newly-built parsonage at Orlando, Florida was dedicated Sunday afternoon, October 15. The minister of the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church in Orlando, Robert Battles, delivered the sermon of dedication.

Emory W. Sell, Jr., representing the Christian Home League presented a program at Elizabethtown, Pa., Sunday morning, October 8.

R. Stanley Tam, Christian business man from Lima, Ohio, was guest speaker for a Men's Fellowship breakfast at Chambersburg, Pa., Sunday morning, October 1. The Wainfleet Gospel Four were guest musicians for the occasion.

Joe Schultz and the Youth for Christ quartet from Canton, Ohio, were featured at Valley Chapel, Sunday morning, October 8.

Sixth Line Congregation, Ontario, recently had a baptismal service for eight, five of which came into church fellowship.

The Senior Christ's Crusaders of Sherston, Ontario held a retreat at the Disciple Camp, Dunnville, Ontario, September 22-24. E. J. Swalm was guest speaker.

Baltimore, Md., reports an attendance of 80 for Sunday school, October 8.

The Curtis Bryants, Columbia, Kentucky, shared in services at Cincinnati, Ohio, September 29-October 1. A carry-in fellowship dinner was featured Sunday noon.

EVANGELISTIC SERVICES

Henry Ginder at Colorado Springs, Colorado, October 1-8; Tremont, Pa., October 9-22; R. I. Witter at Albuquerque, New Mexico, October 1-15; Harry Hock at Messiah Home, Harrisburg, Pa., November 5-19; Joseph Vanderveer at Beulah Chapel, Springfield, Ohio, October 29-November 12; Lane Hostetter at Fairland Pa., November 5-12; Charlie B. Byers at Highland, Ohio, October 10-22; Clair Shenk at Shenks Union Church, Pa., October 1-15.

A TRIBUTE TO A PASTOR

This report from the Messiah Home Chapel, Harrisburg, Pa., for the third quarter, 1961, will be a bit different.

In Ephesians 4:11 it states that "He (Christ) gave some apostles; and some prophets; and some evangelists and some pastors and teachers"; often reports indicate the services of visiting speakers with little concerning the work of a faithful pastor.

Several times this past summer one of the workers who brought my breakfast to my room said, "We had a very good prayer meeting last night, don't you think so?" I replied, "Yes, I think we have had very good prayer meetings." A spirit of goodwill and fellowship was felt as the pastor discussed such topics as love, peace, grace, and joy.

Our pastor, the Rev. Glenn Hensel, carries a burden for both young and old in his congregation. A beautiful spirit of cooperation exists. In the congregation are a number of older min-

isters. These are asked to share in the ministry and teaching.

In addition to the well presented services of our pastor, we enjoyed and appreciated the farewell service of the outgoing missionaries; Beulah Arnold to India, Graybill Brubaker and wife, Evelyn Noel and Martha Lady to Africa. We wish God's blessing on our pastor and those who serve us so faithfully.

John A. Climenhaga

ABILENE, KANSAS CELEBRATES 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL

Robert Carlson, assistant pastor of the Bethel College Church, Newton, Kansas was guest speaker for September 24. This was the Sunday set apart to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the beginning of a Brethren in Christ Sunday School here in Abilene.

Brother Carlson spoke on the themes "Guardians of the Faith" and "Trails Wake." Our church historian, Raymond Eshelman, gave a historical account of the work. Bishop Samuel Zook called a meeting and the first Sunday School was started with John H. Engle as superintendent, March 21, 1886.

Miss Elsie Books who has attended Sunday School here for sixty-four years, was present, also Mrs. Ruth Gish Pyke who was a member of the first cradle roll. Another highlight was the recognition of David S. Wenger as having a perfect Sunday School attendance record for twenty-eight years. A plaque was awarded to him in honor of his faithful attendance.

There were many in attendance who formerly came here to Sunday School together with friends of the Church here in Abilene and the surrounding areas. David Musser, our present superintendent of the Sunday School, presented a skit which formally opened the 13th Annual Sunday School Forward Campaign.

Displays such as early records, a Sunday School hymn book, pictures of the early bishops, a bonnet which Mrs. Sue Gish wore at her wedding in 1888, and two dolls dressed in costume as worn by the early church women, were displays that created special interest. A replica of the first Brethren in Christ Church in Abilene in the form of a cake was decorated and presented by Mrs. Clyde Zook. A basket dinner was served in the social rooms of the church at noontime.

Pastor David H. Wenger spoke in the evening service on the subject "Signposts." Other activities of our congregation included the organization of a Men's Fellowship with Lowell Hoover as president, Virgil Wenger, vice president, and Vernon Brandt, secretary. G. E. Ming was the speaker for the first get-together.

Eva Mae Melhorn, a missionary on furlough from Africa, shared in our WMPC meeting showing pictures of the work. Fannie Longenecker spoke to us on October 1 of her work at the Teacher's Training School at Livingstone, showing pictures of mission stations and of the Livingstone School.

Mrs. J. C. H.

PORT COLBORNE, ONTARIO

Emory Sell, Jr., representing the Christian Home League brought a very helpful message, October 1. His emphasis on parental responsibility in teaching the Bible and exercising in prayer to prepare our children for service, was most forceful.

In September, Bishop E. J. Swalm was with us for a reception service. Five young people came into the fellowship of the church.

Our Summer Vacation Bible School was well attended.

Pastor Walter Winger brought us seven very effective messages on "The Church." These presentations reminded us of our responsibility in bringing the unsaved to Christ. The prayer meeting series on the Epistles of Peter have been most helpful.

Mrs. Marjorie Hill

ROXBURY CAMPMEETING

The Roxbury Holiness Campmeeting, convened August 2-13, 1961. The camp was graciously blessed with the presence of God. From the very beginning, even before camp started, there was an unusual awareness of God's presence on the campgrounds. The evangelistic services began Wednesday night preceding the week of camp. The attendance was above average from the very beginning. The weather was ideal, especially so over the last weekend.

God greatly honored the ministry of the evangelist, Bishop Alvin C. Burkholder of Upland, California. He gave himself wholly to a revival ministry. Bishop E. J. Swalm of Duntroon, Ontario was Bible teacher for the first part of the camp, and Dr. Paul Kindschi, head of the Department of Sunday Schools for the Wesleyan Methodist Church, was Bible teacher for the latter part of the camp.

Wednesday was Missions day. Dr. C. N. Hostetter, Jr., chairman of the Mennonite Central Committee, Samuel Wolgemuth, overseas director for Youth for Christ, and Henry N. Hostetter, executive secretary for the Board for World Missions, all discussed world conditions and spoke of the urgency of the hour. There was a renewed sense of dedication to the task of missions throughout the day.

Saturday was youth day. A holiness emphasis, death to self and consistent holy living were the emphases as given in the three messages by Luke L. Keefer, C. N. Hostetter, and Paul Kindschi. Raymond Niesley, Dayton, Ohio, minister of music for the camp, led a mass choir of youth. The music brought great inspiration to a large audience. A highlight of this year's camp was the dedication of the outdoor auditorium, located near the Berean Center. This auditorium located amid stately trees and on the banks of the stream, was dedicated at 5:45 p.m. Saturday.

Simon Lehman, Jr., and Glenn Ginder led the teenage camp in the Berean Center. The theme "The Wheel of Life" proved to be both interesting and helpful. Thursday afternoon there was a dedication of trails and arbors and special prayer areas, located throughout the grounds. Henry Ginder and John Rosenberry joined the teenage directors in the dedication of these trails and arbors.

Mrs. Wilbur Benner of Chambersburg, Pa., and David and Loa Buckwalter of Shanesville, Ohio, directed the children's camp. Peak attendance at the children's camp reached five hundred. The services in the large auditorium, the Berean Center and the Children's Tabernacle complemented each other, making a total contribution to the large numbers that attended. It was often said on the grounds, "This has been the best camp ever."

God led in the meeting of the financial needs. Current expenses reached about \$10,000.00 for the entire period. The Improvement Fund of the camp received \$9,000.00 and more than \$3,000.00 was given for Missions. A bit more than 22,000 meals were served.

Improvements continue on the grounds. The beautiful new bookstore erected by Christian Light Bookstores in cooperation with the Publication Board, proved a very serviceable and attractive addition. The Marsh Creek congregation built a dormitory that will house about forty people. New cottages were built and many more are being built.

The closing night of the camp was unusual and will long be remembered. Heavy conviction resulting in the altar and much of the other area of the front part of the tabernacle being the scene of much praying and confession of sin. We thank the Lord for good victory.

If the Lord tarries, Roxbury Holiness Camp is scheduled to convene August 1-12, 1962. It is planned that Luke L. Keefer will serve as the evangelist.

-Charlie B. Byers, Director

Births

BEARSS—Gary Nelson, born September 29, 1961 to Miriam and Leo Bearss, Falls View congregation, Ontario.

* HADDEN—Laurie Walter, born August 17, 1961 to Mr. and Mrs. Laurie Hadden, Ridgemount congregation, Hamilton, Ontario.

LONG—Cheryl Ann, born June 6, 1961 to Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Long, Ridgemount congregation, Hamilton, Ontario.

LONG—Kelly Lynn, born July 7, 1961 to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Long, Ridgemount congregation, Hamilton, Ontario.

MILLER—Donald Ray, Jr., born June 12, 1961 to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Miller, Free Grace congregation, Pa.

PETERMAN—Joyce Elaine, born October 3, 1961 to Rev. and Mrs. Roy Peterman, Manor congregation, Pa.

ROMBERGER—Andrew Lee, born July 31, 1961 to Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Romberger, Free Grace congregation, Pa.

WOLGEMUTH—Rudy Lynn, second son, born September 22, 1961 to Earl and Joan Wolgemuth, Cross Roads congregation, Pa.

HELEMS—Christopher Eugene, born to Mr. and Mrs. William Helems, September 29, 1961, Amherst congregation, Massillon, Ohio.

Weddings

LANDIS-TYSON—Miss Sally Tyson, Souderton, Pa., became the bride of Samuel O. Landis of Souderton, Pa., September 30, 1961. The ceremony was performed by Rev. E. C. Flewelling at the home of the bride's pastor.

MELLINGER-GISH—Miss Patricia Gish, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abner Gish, Manheim, Pa., became the bride of Glenn Mellinger, son of Henry Mellinger and the late Emma Mellinger, Mt. Joy, Pa., August 26, 1961. The ceremony was performed by Rev. David R. Wolfe, assisted by the pastor, Rev. B. E. Thuma in the Cross Roads Brethren in Christ Church.

PRINGLE-GARIS—Miss Doris E. Garis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Garis, Souderton, Pa., became the bride of Douglas Pringle, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Pringle, Souderton, Pa., September 23, 1961. The ceremony was performed in the Calvary Mennonite Church by Rev. Elwood C. Flewelling and Rev. Walter Winger.

SIMS-GARIS—Miss Alma Garis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Garis, Souderton, Pa., became the bride of Frank E. Sims, son of Mrs. Earl Refsnider, Montgomeryville, Pa., September 30, 1961. The ceremony was performed in the Brethren in Christ Church by the pastor, Rev. E. C. Flewelling.

GOOD-LADY—Miss Dorcas Jeanne Lady, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Samuel Lady, Hanover, Pa., became the bride of Dennis Marlin Good, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Good, Kouts, Indiana, July 15, 1961. The ceremony was performed by the bride's father, assisted by Rev. Wesley Martin, at the Grace Evangelical Congregational Church, Akron, Pa.

CLIMENHAGA-DOHNER—Miss Sandra K. Dohner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dale M. Dohner, Ashland, Ohio, and Maynard M. Climanhaga, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Climenhaga, Clarence Center, New York were united in marriage August 26, 1961 in the Grace Brethren Church, Ashland, Ohio. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Elam O. Dohner, uncle of the bride and pastor of the Christian Union congregation, Garrett, Indiana.

Obituaries

SWORDS—Mrs. Clara B. Swords, widow of Reuben S. Swords, formerly of Florin, Pa., died August 22, 1961 at the age of 55 years. These children survive: Sylvester R. Swords,

Florin, Pa., Mrs. Chas. Hutton, Aberdeen, Md., Reuben Swords, Jr., Aberdeen, Md., and Mrs. Edward Bon Ohlen, New Milford, Pa. Also surviving are six grandchildren and two sisters. Funeral services were held from the Nissley Funeral Home, Mt. Joy, Pa. Rev. Harry Brubaker officiated. Interment was in the Cross Roads Cemetery.

MCC News

RUEGGS RETURN

Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Ruegg, Stayner, Ont., are returning to Jordan for another term of relief service after a nine-month furlough. The Rueggs will be in charge of material aid and rehabilitation projects for the assistance of

Bedouins at Ma'an, a new location for MCC in Jordan.

RECORDING OF BIENENBERG CHOIR PLANNED

AKRON, Pa. (MCC)—A recording by the European Mennonite Bible School Choir will probably be made before the choir returns to Europe. This is in response to requests for a record which have been received during the choir's present trip through the U. S. and Canada.

The proposed 12-inch, 33 rpm record would be available for \$4.00 in the U. S. and \$5.00 in Canada (C.O.D., postpaid).

Records will be available only by advance order. All orders must be placed by November 15, 1961. Correspondence should be addressed to: Bienenberg Choir, c/o MCC, Akron, Pa.

Missions in America

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Blairs Mills, Pennsylvania: Rev. Kenneth Melhorn, pastor, Willow Hill, Pa.

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MCC ADMINISTRATORS TRAVELING

AKRON, Pa., (MCC)—William Snyder, Orie Miller and Robert Miller are on overseas trips at the present time.

The itinerary for Executive Secretary William Snyder, extending from Sept. 21 to Oct. 25, includes visits with MCC units and other persons in France, Germany, Switzerland, Austria, the Netherlands, Greece, Lebanon and Jordan.

Associate Executive Secretary Orie Miller will travel to France, Morocco, Germany, Switzerland, Luxembourg, Austria and the Netherlands. He will be gone from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15.

Robert Miller, Director of Foreign Relief and Services, is visiting MCC projects in the Far East and Middle East. He left Sept. 18 and will return November 26. His itinerary includes stops in Japan, Korea, Hong Kong, Vietnam, Indonesia, Thailand, India, Nepal, West Pakistan, Lebanon, Jordan, Germany and the Netherlands.

KREIDER INVESTIGATING OPPORTUNITIES IN AFRICA

AKRON, Pa., (MCC)—Robert Kreider, who is exploring the possible placement of Mennonite teachers in underdeveloped countries, left September 29 for a ten week trip to Europe and Africa. He will spend about a week in Europe conferring with interested mission and relief organizations and will spend the remainder of the time in Africa.

Areas to be investigated more intensively in Africa are East Africa, the Congo, the Central African Federation, Northern Nigeria, and Sierra Leone. Kreider's itinerary includes two days in the vicinity of Addis Ababa, two weeks in the Kenya-Tanganyika-Uganda area, ten days in the Congo, two weeks in the Central African Federation, a week in Northern Nigeria, and several days each in Ghana, Liberia, and Sierra Leone.

Kreider has undertaken this study for MCC while on leave of absence from Bluffton College for the 1961-62 school year. The study is prompted by an awareness of the urgent need for teaching personnel in underdeveloped countries, particularly in secondary schools and teacher training institutions. It is also recognized that there are many well-qualified teachers in the MCC constituency who might respond affirmatively to opportunities to use their talent and training in church programs overseas.

CHURCHES TO DISCUSS PEACE WITNESS IN AFRICA

AKRON, Pa. (MCC)—Thirty representatives from each of the three participating groups will be invited to attend a Brethren, Friends, and Mennonite conference at Camp Miami, near Germantown, Ohio, March 9-11, 1962, to discuss "The Peace Witness in Christian Mission," with particular reference to Africa.

The Friends will serve as hosts to the conference, which is being sponsored by the Historic Peace Church Continuation Committee.

The Mennonites' official delegates will be appointed through the Peace Section of MCC and the secretaries of the various Mennonite mission boards.

Paul Kraybill, Executive Secretary of the Eastern Mennonite Board of Missions and Charities, Salunga, Pa.; William T. Snyder, Executive Secretary of MCC, and Elmer Neufeld, Executive Secretary of the Peace Section, are serving on the program committee.

MDS REHABILITATION SUSPENDED

Mennonite Disaster Service discontinued its assistance in the Galveston, Texas, area on September 30. A meeting of Kansas MDS officials was to be held on October 2 to determine the course of the work. Coordinator John Diller of Hesston said that a major factor in the termination of work was the slowness of insurance companies in evaluating losses.

NEWS ITEMS

CASTRO SORRY FOR DEPORTING

CANADIAN PRIESTS

OTTAWA, Canada (EP)—Premier Castro's government in Cuba deported nine Canadian priests to Spain "by error," and offered to pay their passage back.

This was stated in a report by Canada's Prime Minister John Diefenbaker to the House of Commons here.

The reply came from the Cuban government after Canadian officials objected to the deportation.

With less than 200 priests now remaining in Cuba, the rumor in Havana is that Castro may be establishing a "National Catholic Church." He has recruited some clergy to fill the ranks, but has yet to enroll a single bishop in this 90 per cent Catholic country.

"ADULT CHRISTIANS" INVITED TO

SOFT-DRINK CABARET

SYDNEY, Australia (EP)—A prominent Methodist clergyman has opened a cabaret here "for adult Christians where no intoxicating drinks will be served."

He is Dr. Alan Walker, superintendent of Sydney's Central Methodist Mission. Dr. Walker calls it "an experiment designed to bridge the gulf between the Church and people who have no contact with religion."

Attending opening night were 150 patrons who were entertained with a floor show that featured hymns sung to modern rhythms and various variety acts.

Instead of beer or liquor, the guests drank fruit cocktails, coffee, soft drinks and milk.

SECOND YFC "CAPITAL TEEN CONVENTION" SET

WASHINGTON, D.C.—(EP) Youth for Christ International will hold its second Capital Teen Convention in the National Guard Armory here Dec. 27-29. Senator Frank Carlson (Rep.-Kans.) will serve as general chairman for the event.

The first such Convention was held here by YFCI in 1959 and was attended by nearly 10,000 teen-agers from 48 states and 14 foreign countries.

AMISH ENJOY RESPITE FROM TAX COLLECTORS

WASHINGTON, D.C. (EP)—Old Order Amishmen who have refused to pay their Social Security taxes or receive benefits from the fund will not have their property seized any more—at least not until Congress has reached a decision on pending legislation that would exempt religious objectors from participation in the program.

The Amish object to participation in Social Security for several reasons, including a fear that it will lead young people to shirk the Biblical injunction to care for parents, widows, and orphans and pass this responsibility off to the state.

GERALD SMITH TO NEW OFFICE

NEW YORK (EP)—The Rev. Gerald B. Smith, former religion editor of the *Pioneer Press and Dispatch*, St. Paul, Minn., has been named to the post of director of public relations and creative writing for the Christian and Missionary Alliance here.

Smith will serve as assistant to the Alliance's president, Dr. Nathan Baily, in the public re-

lations field. Seventh largest Protestant missionary society, the Alliance has 830 missionaries working in 22 fields around the world.

EPISCOPAL GROUPS VOTE TO STAY IN NCC, CONDUCTS OTHER BUSINESS

DETROIT (EP)—The House of Deputies of the Protestant Episcopal Church at the denomination's 60th annual convention, defeated a resolution to withdraw from the National Council of Churches.

Delegates adopted a resolution expressing the hope that a translation of the Bible could be produced acceptable to all, including Roman Catholics . . . urged Christians who decide not to drink to guard against developing a "holier-than-thou" attitude toward those who do use alcohol . . . voted overwhelmingly in favor of participation in four-way merger conversations involving the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A., The Methodist Church and the United Church of Christ.

OBJECTING TO STUDIES, MENNONITES QUIT SCHOOLS

LANCASTER, Pa. (EP)—Sixty-three Mennonite pupils from the first to the sixth grades were withdrawn from two modern public schools in East Earl Township allegedly because of "too much atheism" in the schools.

The children, all from conservative Mennonite families, have been transferred to two private one-room schools on nearby farms set up by sect members.

LAUNCH NEW "PRE-MILLENNIAL" BAPTIST MISSION SOCIETY

CHICAGO (EP)—In objection to the present Conservative Baptist Foreign Mission Society's aims and viewpoint, a new missionary advance was established Sept. 15, at a meeting of members of the Conservative Baptist Fellowship. Presiding over the sessions was the president of the CBF, Dr. Earle E. Matteson of Tucson, Arizona.

Commenting on the new society which places emphasis upon the pre-millennial view of eschatology, Dr. Vincent Brushwyler, general director of the Conservative Baptist Foreign Missions Society, said in a prepared release: "I find myself in agreement with the statement of the Rev. James Stuart, president of the Conservative Baptist Association of America, and its general director, Dr. Myron Cedarholm, made in the presence of Conservative Baptist leaders in Wheaton, Ill., Sept. 12, 1961, that they see no need for a new Baptist Mission Society and were opposed to its formation."

ARGENTINE PASTORS MEET

CORDOBA, Argentina (Sept. 29)—Over 420 pastors and Christian workers, coming from 24 denominations in many sections of Argentina, met here September 25-29 for a World Vision Pastors Conference.

Speakers included, Dr. Bernard Ramm, Professor of Apologetics at California Baptist Seminary, Covina; Dr. Frederick Huegel of Mexico City, who has served 40 years in Latin America with the Disciples of Christ and is known for his devotional and expository writings (including *Bone of His Bone*); and World Vision's Vice President at Large, Dr. Paul S. Rees, and its President, Dr. Bob Pierce.

Said a World Vision spokesman: "The Argentina Pastors Conference was marked from the beginning by an unusual warmth of Christian fellowship. In all the seven-year history of the Conferences, which have brought together over 30,000 pastors in 13 different countries, we have never felt more surrounded by Christian love."